MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 14, 2000 - 9:00 a.m. - Room 129 - State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Leonard M. Blackham, Senate Chair

Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow

Rep. Evan L. Olsen

Rep. Raymond W. Short

Members Absent:

Sen. D. Edgar Allen

Sen. Terry Spencer

Rep. Patrice M. Arent

Staff Present:

Mr. Stewart E. Smith,

Managing Research Analyst

Mr. John L. Fellows,

Associate General Counsel

Ms. Glenda S. Whitney,

Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present and copies of materials distributed in the meeting are on file in the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel.

- 1. Call to Order Chair Blackham called the meeting to order at 9:24 a.m.
- **2. Committee Business -** Chair Blackham commented on the new committee room and thanked Rep. Short for his efforts in developing a high-tech committee room.

MOTION: Rep. Goodfellow moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2000 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Legislation - Mr. John L. Fellows reviewed from the mailing packet, four bills that were approved by the Legislative Process Committee and adopted as committee bills. He said the question before the committee is who will sponsor the bills during the 2001 General Session.

MOTION: Rep. Short moved that the committee chair, with input from legislative leadership, assign sponsorship of the committee bills at a later date. The motion passed unanimously.

Communication with the Legislative Management Committee and the Executive Appropriations Committee - Chair Blackham said that the proposed recommendations from the Legislative Process Committee have been presented to the Legislative Management Committee and the Executive Appropriations Committee and are ready to go forward.

3. Media Rules and Decorum - Mr. Stewart E. Smith made a presentation on the draft, "Utah State Legislature Media Guide." He reviewed the modifications requested by the committee at the October 19, 2000 meeting and asked for further recommendations to the draft.

The committee reviewed the media guide and made minor changes to the draft. Members of the media expressed concerns and asked for clarification on the draft.

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Chair Blackham asked staff to make the recommended modifications to the draft and noted that he would present the proposed media guide to the Legislative Management Committee for their approval.

MOTION: Rep. Short moved to accept the Utah State Legislature Media Guide with the proposed changes and present it to the Legislative Management Committee for their approval. The motion passed unanimously.

- **4. New Committee Room Capabilities -** Rep. Short briefed the committee on the sound system, mechanics, and the visual capabilities of the new committee room. He also noted that there are capacities for five wireless hookups for internet as well as wireless headphones for the hearing impaired. He pointed out that the Utah Seal at the front of the room was carved from a maple tree that went down in the tornado.
- **5. Other Items -** Chair Blackham thanked the committee members for their participation and efforts in the legislative process. He also recognized Rep. Olsen and Rep. Short for their contribution to the Legislature over the years and said that they will be missed.

6. Adjourn -

MOTION: Rep. Olsen moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.